

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
GRANT JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ANNETTE EMERY

Age: 50

Occupation: Incumbent/Transportation Planner

Education and Qualifications: Four years ago, I was elected to the Grant Joint Union High School District Governing Board of Trustees. I ran on a platform of raising academic standards for all students, parent involvement and creating trust throughout the Grant community. Four years later, I am proud of the fact that significant improvements have been accomplished in all these areas. The District and community, working together, developed a strategic plan with goals focused on reading; graduation rates; technology; academic achievement; and utilizing exemplary models of effective education. The Grant District test scores have been rising, with 80% of our schools showing improvement on the Academic Performance Index; over \$3 million has been spent on state adopted textbooks; \$120 million in bond and state funds are available and being utilized to modernize our schools; a new junior high is being built; a districtwide parent/community involvement program has been created; the number of non-credentialed teachers has gone down significantly and our budget is balanced and healthy. This is a different District than the Grant of four years ago. I want to continue the progress started by the Education First Board for another four years. For more information, please see <http://edfirst2002.tripod.com/> Thank you.